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The amendment filed March 7, 2003 is improper in that the amended claim 9 fails to comply with 37 CFR 1.173 (b) (2) and 37 CFR 1.173 (c), and the addition of new claims fails to comply with 37 CFR 1.173 (c).